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Austria Wind and Solar Energy Storage Project





Overview

Austrian energy company Illwerke vkw plans to build a EUR-2.65-billion (USD 3bn) pumped-storage power plant with a capacity of around 1.1 GW in turbine mode and 1.05 GW in pump mode, the firm said on Friday. Could wind and solar power be stored at a gas field?

For the first time, a research project will investigate the possibility of storing wind and solar power at a former gas field. The storage project is based on power to gas technology, which converts electricity generated in this way into a mixture of methane and hydrogen.

What is Rag Austria doing?

This means that RAG Austria AG, together with the project partners involved, has taken a significant step towards the commercial application of safe, seasonal and large-volume storage of renewable energy in the form of hydrogen in natural underground reservoirs.

Where is solar energy stored?

In this unique cross-sector demonstration facility, solar energy is converted into green hydrogen by water electrolysis and stored in pure form in an underground natural gas reservoir in Gampern, Upper Austria. The scale of the storage corresponds to the summer surplus of about 1,000 photovoltaic systems on family homes.

Who opened the Underground Sun Storage test facility in Pilsbach?

Federal Minister of Transport, Innovation and Technology Alois Stöger, Managing Director of the Austrian Climate and Energy Fund Theresia Vogel and RAG Chief Executive Officer Markus Mitteregger open the Underground Sun Storage test facility in Pilsbach, Upper Austria.



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EIB supports 2GW Austrian renewable power portfolio

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Underground Sun Storage 2030

Two years after the launch of the "Underground Sun Storage 2030" project led by RAG Austria (see eia issue 5/2021) and following commissioning in April 2023, the project is now ...





Press releases, RAG Austria AG

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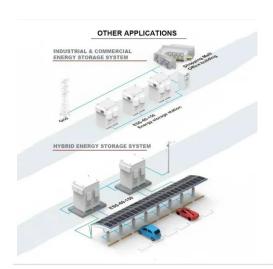
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Austria backs record solar, storage projects in ...

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pace as projects totalling 2,060 MWp of solar capacity and 646 MWh of energy storage ...

Energiequelle and Brandpower Unite for Austrian Wind and Solar ...

Aug 22, 2024 · German renewables developer-operator Energiequelle GmbH has joined forces with Austrian sector player Brandpower Windkraft GmbH & Co KG to develop wind and solar ...





Austria's Commitment To Renewable Energy: Why And How?

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Austria to support small-scale solar PV projects with EUR 20m

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Press releases, RAG Austria AG

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Energy storage systems

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Underground Sun Conversion

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formed gas reservoirs, is to be taken to the next stage. Building on the ...

Scaling Up Energy Storage to Accelerate ...

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Illwerke plans 1.1 GW pumpedstorage power ...

Apr 28, 2025 · Austrian energy company Illwerke vkw plans to build a EUR-2.65-billion (USD 3bn) pumped-storage power plant with a capacity of around 1.1 ...

Wind, Solar, Storage Heat Up in 2025

Jan 15, 2025 · This year, massive solar farms, offshore wind turbines, and grid-



scale energy storage systems will join the power grid.





Project description

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Austrian giant Verbund buys a largescale wind farm project ...

Apr 10, 2025 · VERBUND Wind Power Romania, the Romanian subsidiary of the Austrian leader VERBUND, has acquired a fully developed wind project from Monsson, an international ...



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conditions, whereas wind energy is unpredictable, depending on fluctuating wind speeds. Flywheels: are energy ...

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Underground Sun Storage 2030

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